

## ABSTRACT

Transporting a variable length AAL CPS packet over a non-ATM-specific bus includes determining a variable length AAL CPS packet and transmitting the variable length AAL CPS packet over a non-ATM-specific bus. A first part of the variable length AAL CPS packet is received and a length of the variable length AAL CPS packet is determined and then used to determine synchronization information. Reception of the variable length AAL CPS packet continues, and the synchronization information is used to determine that reception of the variable length AAL CPS packet is complete.